

1943 Profile of the South Jamaica, Queens area

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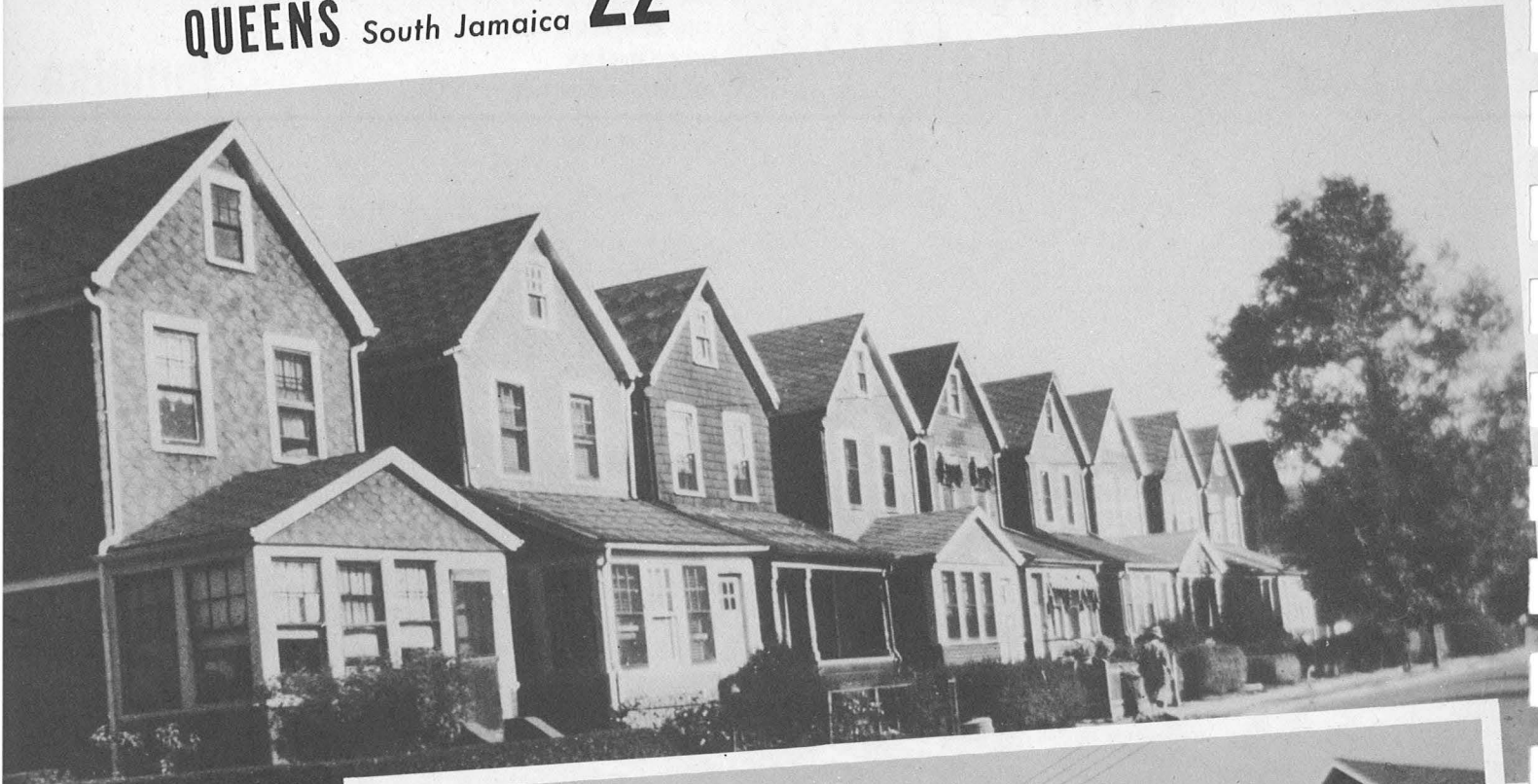
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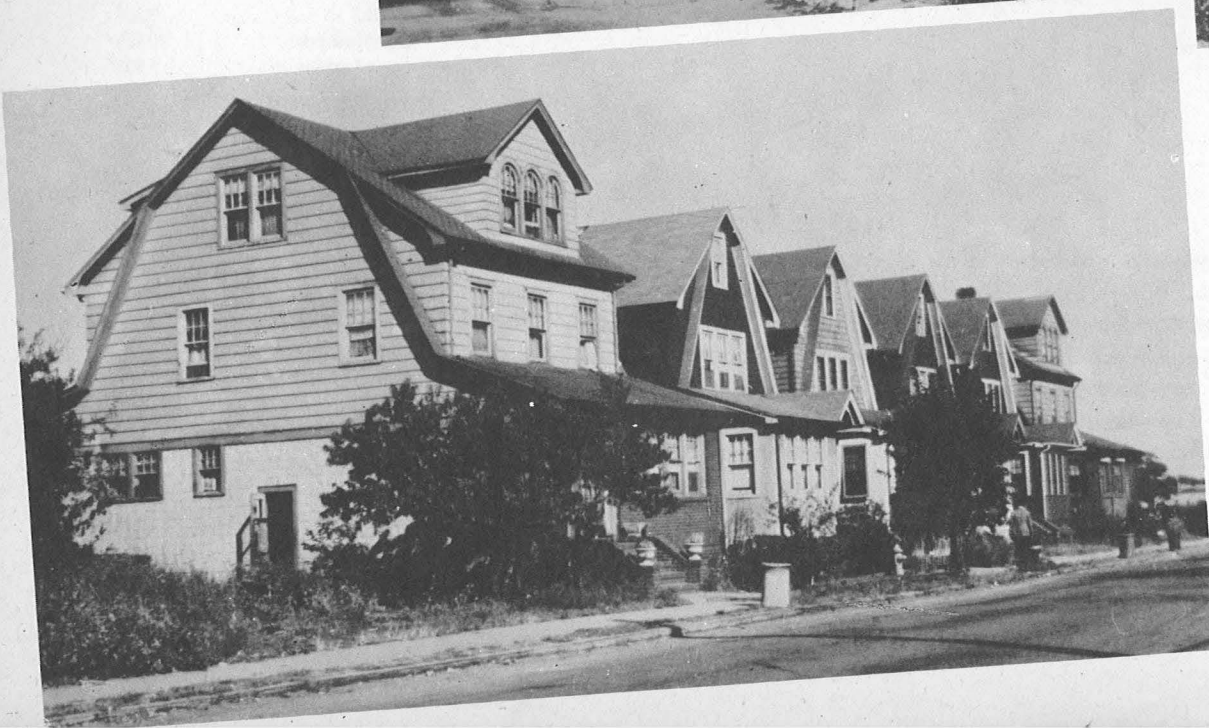
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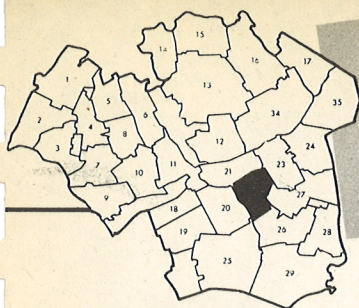
Above: 171st Street from 104th Avenue to 105th Avenue



Above: 111th Avenue from 159th Street looking toward 158th St.



Left: Fern Place between Polhemus Avenue and 108th Rd.

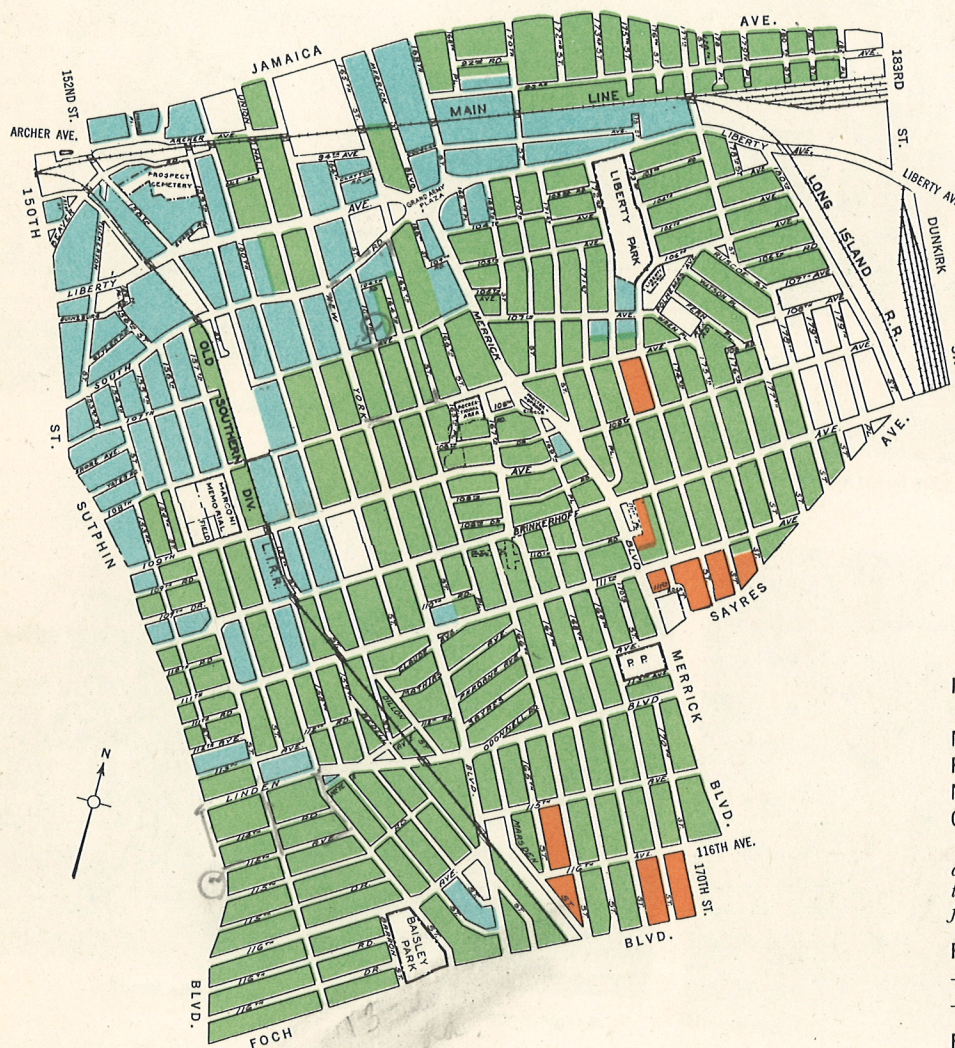


NEW YORK CITY MARKET ANALYSIS

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QUEENS 22

South Jamaica



POPULATION 31,759
(larger than Alton, Ill.)

Native white 15,124
Foreign-born white 4,614
Negro 12,000
Other races 21

Negroes are located throughout the district, particularly in the central portion. Italians numerous among the foreign-born.

FAMILIES 7,610
—owner families 3,233
—tenant families 4,377

FAMILIES BY MONTHLY RENT & ANNUAL EXPENDITURE GROUPS

Rental	Expenditure	
\$150 & up	\$10,000 & up	14
100-149	6,000-9,999	39
75- 99	4,500-5,999	142
50- 74	3,000-4,499	818
30- 49	1,800-2,999	4,487
40- 49	2,400-2,999	1,617
30- 39	1,800-2,399	2,870
Under 30	Under 1,800	1,823
Unknown		287

Median family expenditure \$2,185
Average family expenditure \$2,345

RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES 5,976
—one-family houses 4,294
—two-family houses 1,142
—three-or-more-family houses 540

South Jamaica is a crowded residential section. Its families are mostly in the lower middle-income group. South Jamaica has the largest concentration of Negro population in Queens. For a district with very few apartment buildings, South Jamaica's population per square mile is high. Most of the people live in frame houses. Growth during the 1930-1940 decade was slight. Principal new construction was the South Jamaica Housing Development, providing low rentals for 448 families. There is no concentrated shopping center. Isolated stores are scattered throughout the district.